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## **J. Jerry LaCamera, Jr**



### **Deputy Chief (M1), Director, Total Force Bureau of Medicine and Surgery**

Mr. LaCamera is currently the Deputy Chief (M1), and Director, Total Force for the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery in Washington, D.C. He reports directly to the Surgeon General and Deputy Surgeon General, and he serves as the liaison for Navy Medicine's Total Force management to the Chief of Naval Operations, Commandant of the Marine Corps, Joint Staff, Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Manpower and Reserve Affairs), other services, and Office of the Secretary of Defense Health Affairs. This includes the Plans, Programs, Budget and Policy setting for Manpower, Personnel, Education and Training for the Bureau of Medicine Total Force enterprise of approximately 50,000 active duty and reserve military, civilian, and contractor workforce and budgets of approximately \$4.2 billion annually.

In his previous assignment from May 07 to June 08, Mr. LaCamera was the Warfare Center Executive for Aviation Systems (acting) for Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA). In this role, he was the principal for all Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR), PEO Carriers, Air Force, and Army air systems workload in support of Fleet and Resource sponsors. He led NAVSEA's Naval Air Systems technical capability and technology assessments; and performed national workload management and integrated planning, as well as oversight of project execution for ~\$1.4 billion annual workload.

From October 2003 through May 2007, Mr. LaCamera was the Senior Civilian and Technical Operations Manager (TOM) of the Indian Head Division, Naval Surface Warfare Center (IHDIV, NSWC), a DoD Energetics Center located in Indian Head, Maryland. In this capacity, Mr. LaCamera directed a workforce of over 1,500 employees, including nearly 800 scientists and engineers and annual operations of approximately \$600M. Mr. LaCamera served briefly as the PEO-IWS Warfare Systems Manager for Littoral Combat Ships following completion of ICAF (2002-2003) and prior to assuming his position at IHDIV. From June 1998 to August 2002, he served as the ACAT ID Program Manager, Navy Area Defense TBMD Program within the Program Executive Office for Theater Surface Combatants. He has also held the positions of Deputy Director Mk 46 Torpedo Division (1988-90), Deputy Program Manager for the ACAT IC Heavyweight Torpedo Program(1993-96) and Deputy Program Manager for all Undersea

Weapons Programs (1996-1998) for the Navy in the Program Executive Office, Undersea Warfare (PEO USW).

From June 1990 until Jan 1993, Mr. LaCamera served on staff to the PEO for Undersea Warfare, as the Asst. PEO for Operations and Technical Management. During this time he served as the US Delegate to NATO Project Group 34 and was the US Steering Committee Rep. for the Low Cost ASW Weapon, a tri-lateral International Cooperation program with Norway and Germany. Mr. LaCamera began his career with the Navy in 1975 at NSWC White Oak Laboratory and in 1979 was selected for the Weapons Systems Management Development program, a three-year rotational program sponsored by the Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA), including assignments at various Navy RDT&E Labs throughout the U.S., the University Applied Research Labs at Penn State and Univ. of Texas, Hughes Aircraft Co., and the Center for Naval Analysis. In 1982, he was assigned to the NAVSEA SEA LANCE ASW Standoff Weapon Program (ACATID) as the Weapons System Effectiveness Engineer, and later served as Systems T&E Manager.

Mr. LaCamera holds bachelor's of science and master's degrees in mechanical engineering from Catholic University of America. In June 2003, he earned a master's of science degree in national strategy resources from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces (ICAF) and was honored as a Distinguished Graduate (top 10%). He has completed graduate studies in Systems Management from USC and Acoustics from Penn State University and is a graduate of the DSMC Program Managers Course (90-1), the OPM Executive Development Seminar and the FEI Leadership Development Seminar, and Navy EBC I. He has been awarded the OSD Exceptional Civilian Service Medal(2002) and the Navy Superior Civilian Performance Medal (1998).